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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS**

FIG. 1 is a photograph of cultured bovine chondrocytes;

FIG. 2A is a phase contrast photograph of chondrocytes transfected with Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP);

FIG. 2B is a chondrocyte from FIG. 2A showing expression of Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP);

FIG. 3A is a graph showing expression of EPO from human chondrocytes;

FIG. 3B is a graph showing expression of EPO from bovine chondrocytes;

FIG. 4 is a graph showing expression of EPO mimetibody from human chondrocytes;

FIG. 5A shows dedifferentiated chondrocytes growing in a monolayer;

FIG. 5B is a phase contrast photograph of differentiated chondrocytes; and

FIG. 5C is a photograph of cartilage matrix deposited by the chondrocytes.

**REMARKS**

This amendment to the specification is necessary in order to comply with sequence format requirements. Applicant respectfully requests that this amendment be entered into the application.

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